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SUBJECT: ITALIAN/FRENCH DIALOGUE WITH GOM

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1. DURING JUNE 10 COURTESY CALL ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY
DESIGNATE VEST, ITALIAN AMBASSADOR GAJA DELIVERED AN AIDE
MEMOIRE OUTLINING CURRENT ITALIAN VIEWS ON MALTA TOGETHER
WITH A COPY OF A CONFIDENTIAL GOM MEMORANDUM OF MAY 7, 1977
WHICH SPELLED OUT MINTOFF'S DESIRES FOR WESTERN ECONOMIC
ASSISTANCE. (COPIES OF BOTH DOCUMENTS POUCHED TO VALLETTA,
PARIS, AND ROME.)

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2. ON NEUTRALITY FORMULA, GAJA SAID ITALY WISHES TO CONSULT
CLOSELY WITH USG AS TALKS WITH MALTA PROCEED. ITALY WOULD
BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN US VIEWS OF POLITICAL AND
JURIDICAL ASPECTS OF FORMULA UNDER WHICH ITALY AND FRANCE
WOULD RECOGNIZE UNILATERAL MALTESE DECLARATION OF NEUTRALITY
WHILE AGREEING TO "CONSULT" IN CASE OF A "VIOLATION OR

THREAT TO MALTESE NEUTRALITY."

3. ON ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE, ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS MINTOFF'S REQUESTS UNREASONABLE, BUT ALSO BELIEVES IT USEFUL TO MAINTAIN EUROPEAN INFLUENCE THROUGH THE "CONTROL"

OF MALTESE ECONOMY WHICH AID WOULD ENTAIL. ONLY BY "ATTRACTING" MALTA TOWARD EUROPE, HE CONCLUDED, WOULD LIBYAN INFLUENCE BE BALANCED.

4. VEST NOTED OUR PREFERENCE FOR NOT GETTING DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH MINTOFF, ADDING THAT WE WOULD GIVE ITALIAN THOUGHTS CAREFUL STUDY. CHRISTOPHER

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